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CITE SANTIAGO [REDACTED]

TO: PRIORITY DIRECTOR, [REDACTED]

1. AMBASSADOR POPPER HAD HIS FIRST TALK (A LONG ONE) WITH [REDACTED]. AMBASSADOR IS PREPARING MEMCON ON THE MEETING. AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING, [REDACTED] MADE AN APPEAL WHICH AMB UNDERSTOOD HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE LONG-PENDING FUNDING PROPOSAL TO THE PDC. THIS LED AMBASSADOR TO ASK [REDACTED] FOR A STATUS REPORT ON THE FUNDING PROPOSAL.

2. WE TOLD AMBASSADOR ABOUT [REDACTED] EXCHANGE. HE THEN ASKED THAT WE REQUERY HQS AND ASK IF THE SILENCE MEANT THE PROPOSAL:

A. IS DEAD

B. IS STILL IN ABEYANCE

C. OR THAT WE CAN STILL EXPECT TO HEAR SOMETHING

3. FYI: OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT AMB PLANS RAISE QUESTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT IF A FAVORABLE REPLY IS NOT TO BE FORTH-

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COMING. HOWEVER, HE DID NOT WANT TO DO SO WHILE STILL IN THE
GLOW OF HAVING MET WITH BY FAR "THE MOST IMPRESSIVE
POLITICAL FIGURE IN THE COUNTRY."

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